

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of LONNIE JAMES WHITE,
LONNISHA BETTIE WHITE, and LONNTEISHA
BRIANNA WHITE, Minors.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

LONNIE JAMES WHITE,

Respondent-Appellant.

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No. 209555

Wayne Circuit Court

Family Division

LC No. 96-348208

Before: Murphy, P.J., and MacKenzie and Talbot, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent appeals as of right from a trial court order terminating his parental rights to the minor children under MCL 712A.19b(3)(f), (g) and (h); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(f), (g) and (h). We affirm.

The trial court did not clearly err in finding that the statutory grounds for termination were established by clear and convincing evidence. MCR 5.974(I); *In re Miller*, 433 Mich 331, 337; 445 NW2d 161 (1989). Further, the trial court did not err in terminating respondent's parental rights, inasmuch as respondent failed to demonstrate that termination of his parental rights was "clearly not" in the children's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(5); *In re Hall-Smith*, 222 Mich App 470, 472; 564 NW2d 156 (1997).

Affirmed.

/s/ William B. Murphy

/s/ Barbara B. MacKenzie

/s/ Michael J. Talbot